DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

SUNDAY, 21 MAY 2017 ♦ TONE 05 ♦ EOTHINON 8 ♣ 5TH SUNDAY AFTER PASCHA/SUNDAY OF THE MAN BORN BLIND

GREAT DOXOLOGY: Liturgy Book p. 1

<u> Antiphons:</u> Pascha

Liturgy Book p. 11 FIRST: Liturgy Book p. 11 SECOND: THIRD: Liturgy Book p. 84 Liturgy Book p. 15

ENTRANCE HYMN: In the assemblies bless God, the Lord, from Israel's wellsprings.

APOLYTIKIA:

Resurrection (Tone 5)

Troparion of Constantine and Helena

Liturgy Book p. 18 (Tone)

O Lord, your disciple, Emperor Constantine, who saw in the sky the Sign of your Cross, accepted the call that came straight from You, as it happened to Paul, and not from any man. He built his capital and entrusted it to your care. Preserve our country in everlasting peace, through the intercession of the Mother of God, for You alone are the Lover of Mankind.

St. Joseph Liturgy Book p. 20 KONDAKION: Pascha Liturgy Book p. 86 PROKIMENON: Psalm 18:14, 1 (Tone 8)

> Their voice has gone out unto all the earth. **Stichon:** The heavens declare the glory of God.

Acts of the Apostles 26:12-20

In those days, when Agrippa Said to Paul, "You are permitted to speak for yourself," Paul stretched out his hand and began his defense. "While I was traveling on this business to Damascus with authority and permission from the chief priests, at midday, O King, I saw on the way a light from heaven brighter than the sunshine around me and my companions. We all fell to the ground, and I heard a voice saying to me Hebrew, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It is hard for you to kick against the goad.' And I said, 'Who are you, Lord?' And the Lord said, 'I am Jesus you are persecuting. But rise and stand upon your feet: for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you to be a minister and a witness to what you have seen, and of the visions you shall have of me; delivering you from the people and from the nations, to whom I am now sending you, to open their eyes that they may turn from darkness to light, and from the dominion of Satan to God; that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those sanctified by faith in me.' Therefore, King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision; but first to the people of Damascus and Jerusalem, and then all over Judea and the Gentiles, I set about declaring that they should repent and turn to God, doing work befitting their repentance."

ALLELUIA: Psalm 88:19, 21 (Tone 1)

I have exalted one chosen from the people. My ram also shall strengthen him.

St. John 9:1-38 GOSPEL:

At that time as Jesus was passing by, he saw a man blind from birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who has sinned, this man or his parents, that he should be born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither has this man sinned nor have his parents, but the works of God were to be made manifest in him. I must do the works of the one who sent me while it is day; night is coming, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world I am the Light of the world." When he had said these things, he spat on the ground and made clay with the spittle, and spread the clay over the man's eyes, and said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam (which is interpreted 'sent')." So he went away, and washed, and returned seeing. The neighbors therefore and those who had seen earlier that he was blind began saying, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is." But others said, "He only looks like him." Yet, the man declared, "I am the one." They therefore asked him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "The man who is called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' And I went and washed, and I see." And they asked him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They took the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. Now, it was a Sabbath on which Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Again, therefore, the Pharisees asked him: how he received his sight. But he said to them, "He put clay upon my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not

from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner work these signs?" And there was a division among them. Again therefore they said to the blind man, "What do you say of the one who opened your eyes?" But he said, "He is a prophet." he Jews therefore did not believe of him that he had been blind and had got his sight, until they called the parents of the one who had gained his sight, and questioned them, saying, "Is this your son, of whom you say he was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we ourselves do not know. Ask him; he is of age, let him speak for himself." These things his parents said because they feared the Jews. For already the Jews had agreed that if anyone were to confess him to be the Christ, he should be put out of the synagogue. This is why his parents said, "He is of age; question him." They therefore called a second time the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give glory to God! We ourselves know this man is a sinner." He therefore said, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know, that whereas I was blind, now I see." They therefore asked him again, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, but you did not listen. Why would you hear a second time? Would you also become his disciples?" They heaped abuse on him therefore and said, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know God spoke to Moses; but as for this man, we do not know where he is from." In answer the man said to them, "Why herein is the marvel, that you do not know where he is from, and yet he opened my eyes. Now we know God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshipper of God, and does his will, him he hears. Not from the beginning of the world has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered and said to him, "You were altogether born in sins, and do you teach us?" And they turned him out. Jesus heard they had turned him out, and when he had found him, said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is he, Lord, that I may believe in him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen him, and he it is who speaks with you." And he said, "I believe, Lord." And falling down, he worshipped him.

HIRMOS: Pascha
Liturgy Book p. 87
KINONKON:
Liturgy Book p. 88

COMMUNION HYMN: Receive the Body of Christ and taste the Source of immortality. Alleluia.

<u>POST~COMMUNION HYMN</u>: *Once* <u>INSTEAD OF 'BLESSED BE THE NAME ...'</u>: Liturgy Book p. 84 Liturgy Book p. 84

SAINT JOSEPH CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

EVENTS IN MAY

Sunday, May 21st
Youth Group Meeting 3:30 p.m.
Wednesday, May 24th
Great Vespers 7:00 p.m.
Thursday, May 25th
FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

Divine Liturgy: 7:00 p.m.

<u>Saturday, May 27th</u>

No Confessions & No Great Vespers

DIVINE LITURGY INTENTIONS

20 May EDWARD J. KOONS † JOHN VIOLA FAMILY 21 May EDEREK MAISCH Charlie & Joanna Simon NANCY ABDA from John Abda † JOHN VIOLA FAMILY

2017 Food Festival News

Last Sunday the Food Festival Committee approved ad experimentum for this year (a test period to determine feasibility) an American Food Friday to our Festival on August 11, 2017 from 5:00 ~ 10:00 p.m. Menu will only include fish fry, clams, some grill items, and beer/soda. No Lebanese food will be offered on this day. Parishioner volunteers are welcome, but servers will be found elsewhere. There is no expectation of anyone by anyone to work beyond their capability and willingness. Any questions, or if you wish to help out on that Friday, please see Fr. Christopher or Alicia Patchoski for details or concerns.

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PRAYER INTENTIONS

PEACE, HEALTH, SALVATION: Rev. Charles Aboody.
Rev. Dn. John Karam. Rev. Dn. Joseph Daratony. Michael
Abda. Marie Barron. Katerine Bateh. Nikki Boudreaux.
George Bales Sr. Lucille Bales. Jayne Buckley. Chris Carey. Carol Downer. Nicole Frazer. Niko Mayashairo. Mary
McNeilly. Mary Lou Mooty. Marie Patchoski. Ruth Sirgany. Sue Solsman. Kennedy Stevenson. Maryann Walsh.
MEMORY ETERNAL: *Rev. Michael Jolly. *Marie Abda.
*Marie Abda. *Nancy Abda *Maureen Chisholm.
*Nicholas Cianci. *Ann Coury. *Mary Sue Betress. *
Margaret Dillenburg *Eric Jolly *Blakely Patrick Landell. *Frank Milweski. *Karen Murray. *William Simon.
*Genevieve Zaydon

Clergy:	
Rev. Christopher Manuele, Presbyter	
Divine Services:	
Saturday:	
Great Vespers: 3	3:45 P.M.
Sunday:	
Orthros: S	9:00 A.M.
Divine Liturgy: 10	D:00 A.M.
Wednesday:	
Compline:	8:30 P.M.
Holy Days:	
Great Vespers: 7:0	
Divine Liturgy 7:00	OP.M. Day
Holy Mystery of Confession:	
Before Vespers at 3:00 P.M.; following	
any service; or by appointment.	
Holy Anointing of the Sick:	
Following any service/call the Rectory.	
Holy Mystery of Crowning:	
Call rectory at earliest convenience.	
Parish Advisory Council:	
James Zaydon, Chairman.	
Meetings as scheduled.	
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